

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Kazunori YASUDA, et al.  
Serial No. 10/787,062  
Confirmation No.: 9539  
Filed: February 25, 2004  
For: ARTIFICIAL KNEE JOINT

Art Unit: 3738

Examiner: Cheryl L. Miller

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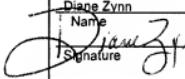
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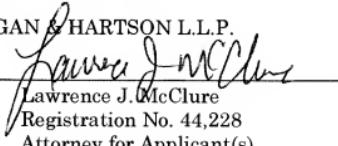
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